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Summary of Rates & Finance Subcommittee September 5, 2019 meeting
For MWPAAC General Meeting on September 25, 2019

1. Capacity Charge Rate Structure Study – Options (handout provided)

Presenter: David Clark – King County Wastewater Treatment Division

Mr. Clark presented the County's response to the Capacity Rate Charge Study that was performed by FCS Group. The presentation focused on two of the options presented in that report: Scenario "1" and Scenario "2a". Note that the FCS report contained more than two scenarios and included commercial scenarios which were not addressed by the County at today's meeting.

- Scenario 1: This scenario is principally the "status quo" with new classifications for accessory dwelling units and micro-housing. The option results in slight modifications to existing RCEs (except for single family homes) in order to remain revenue neutral. Other than single family homes, all classifications under this scenario would see slight reductions to their total costs of capacity charges.
- Scenario 2a: A charge based on the current system but redefines the definitions of RCEs, including new classifications for accessory dwelling units and micro-housing. This scenario further redefines single family homes into three sub-categories: 0-1,499 square feet, 1,500-2,999 square feet, and 3,000+ square feet.

A long discussion ensued, and many questions arose. A common concern with scenario 2a emerged: how would component agencies gain the information needed to report the three subclasses of single-family homes to WTD? The consensus of the group was that administration of single-family home reporting would be difficult at best. Mr. Clark indicated that the County is confident it will be able to handle issues such as square foot verification, "boundary setting" construction and other concerns raised by the subcommittee.

WTD has not yet decided on which scenario it will support but will make that decision soon, draft legislation for the County Council, and update MWPAAC when it has reached its decision.

Please obtain the handout for this presentation as it contains much more complete data than this summary does.

The next Rates and Finance Subcommittee meeting will be held on October 3, 2019. Please attend!

Questions?

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